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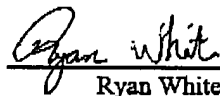
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(HDL) Cholesterol and Apolipoprotein AI, Very Low Density Lipoprotein (VLDL)  
Cholesterol and Low Density Lipoprotein (LDL) Cholesterol

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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the term to respond to the Examiner's Action of February 12, 2003 be extended one month, from May 12, 2003 to June 12, 2003.

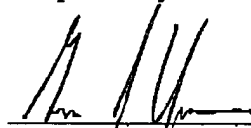
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A check to cover the extension fee is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication or the accompanying Reply to Deposit Account No. 19-5425. A duplicate of this letter is attached.

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